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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

July 31, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the specification with the attached Substitute Specification.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

11. (Three times Amended) An information transmission device for transmitting plural items of information via transmission media to a plurality of information destination devices, said information transmission device comprising:

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